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### **MEETING MINUTES<sup>1</sup>**

Meeting Date: June 7, 2001  
Meeting Time: 10:30 AM  
Meeting Place: State House, 200 W. Washington St.,  
Room 404  
Meeting City: Indianapolis, Indiana  
Meeting Number: 1

Members Present: Rep. John Gregg, Acting Chairman; Rep. Mark Kruzan; Rep. Dale Grubb; Rep. William Cochran; Rep. Charlie Brown; Rep. Richard Mangus; Sen. Richard Young; Sen. Harold Wheeler; Sen. Joseph Harrison; Sen. Patricia Miller; Sen. James Lewis; Sen. Earline Rogers; Rep. Brian Bosma; Rep. Kathy Richardson.

Members Absent: Sen. Robert Garton, Chairman; Sen. Thomas Wyss.

Representative John Gregg, Acting Chairman, called the meeting to order, asked for a roll call, and declared a quorum present to conduct business. The meeting began at 10:45 AM. The Chair then introduced the members of the council, and began the agenda.

LCR 01-02 concerning the establishment of new interim committees and the assignment of study topics to statutory committees.

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The Chairman asked Mr. Sachtleben, Executive Director of the Legislative Services Agency, to discuss Proposed Legislative Council Resolution (LCR) 01-02. Mr. Sachtleben noted that the Resolution as proposed would establish six new interim study committees and assign 26 study topics to existing statutory committees or commissions. The Chair then opened discussion on the resolution. Sen. Lewis brought up the issue of "light pollution" (as mentioned in SR 58-2001) and suggested it be added to the Environmental Quality Service Council's charges. Rep. Kruzan agreed, and made a motion to add the topic of "light pollution" as the eleventh charge to the EQSC's list of topics to study. The motion was adopted by consent.

Rep. Bosma made a motion to create a new study committee to study the issue of daylight-saving time. This motion led to a discussion, with various members expressing their opinions, both for and against the issue. The Chair closed the discussion by seconding the motion. A roll call vote was taken. The motion was defeated by a vote of 5 yeas, and 9 nays.

Sen. Rogers brought up the issue of attracting and retaining quality teachers in Indiana. She made a motion that this issue be added to the charges for the Interim Study Committee on Education Issues. Sen. Young seconded the motion. The motion was then agreed to by consent.

Mr. Sachtleben then explained the problem of HCR 39 giving subpoena power to a committee. HCR 39 is a resolution to investigate the Department of Correction, and in the resolution subpoena power was mentioned. Sen. Young made a motion that no committees be allowed to have subpoena power. The motion to amend the rules governing study committees was seconded by Representative Gregg, and adopted by consent.

There being no further motions the Chair then called for a vote on LCR 01-02, as amended. The resolution was approved by a roll call vote of 14-0.

#### LCR 01-03 concerning the policies governing study committees

The Chair then asked Mr. Sachtleben to discuss LCR 01-03. Mr. Sachtleben explained that these are the procedural rules for study committee operations. Mr. Sachtleben noted that these rules were no different from rules for the 2000 interim. The Chair called for a vote. A roll call vote approved the resolution 14-0.

#### Legislative Council Subcommittees

The Chair then announced the Legislative Council Subcommittee appointments.

##### Subcommittee

Personnel

##### 2001 Appointees

Sen. Garton, Chairman

Rep. Gregg, Vice-chairman

Sen. Young

Rep. Bosma

Data Processing	Sen. Harrison, Chairman Rep. Kruzan Sen. Lewis Rep. Richardson
Space Utilization	Sen. Wheeler, Chairman Rep. Grubb Sen. Rogers Rep. Richardson
Evaluation Oversight	Sen. Miller, Chairman Rep. Brown Sen. Lewis Rep. Mangus

#### LCR 01-04 concerning mileage allowance.

The Chair asked Mr. Sachtleben to explain LCR 01-04. Mr. Sachtleben explained that pursuant to HEA 1001-2001 the mileage allowance for members of the General Assembly would be raised from 28 cents per mile, to 34.5 cents per mile. Mr. Sachtleben also noted that the increase brings the legislative branch, including laymembers on study committees, in line with the Federal mileage reimbursement rate. Sen. Lewis made a motion to adopt, Sen. Miller seconded the motion. The resolution was approved by a roll call vote of 14-0.

#### LCR 01-05 concerning the Office of Census Data of the Legislative Services Agency (LSA)

The Chair then asked Mr. Sachtleben to explain LCR 01-05. Mr. Sachtleben noted three parts of the resolution. The first named Mr. Mark Stratton and Ms. Maureen Bard to staff the Office of Census Data. Then, the resolution would delegate the naming of future staff of the office to the Personnel Subcommittee. Finally the resolution would permit the return of certain GIS geographic, census, and election data to the public. There was a motion by Rep. Richardson to adopt the resolution, and a second by Rep. Brown. A roll call vote approved the resolution 14-0.

#### Report on in-house printing

The Chair then asked Mr. Sachtleben to discuss the progress of in-house printing. Mr. Sachtleben expressed the success of the program, and noted that the printing of bills this session saved the legislature more than \$300,000. Other documents being printed in-house include the daily and bound Journals of the House and Senate, the Rules of the House and Senate, the Acts of Indiana, and the Indiana Register. The Chair then noted the savings to the taxpayers, and asked Mr. Sachtleben to relay thanks to the staff.

#### LCR 01-06 concerning the termination of the Education Matters Evaluation Committee.

extension of the Public Safety Matters Evaluation Committee to audit the State Fire Marshal, and the study of fiscal notes from the Department of Health.

The Chair then asked Mr. Sachtleben to discuss LCR 01-06. Mr. Sachtleben explained that this resolution will end the term for the Education Matters Evaluation Committee under LCR 98-14 as its work had been completed. This resolution also would direct the Public Safety Matters Evaluation Committee to audit the Office of the State Fire Marshal in 2002 instead of 2001. This audit would take place in year two instead of the typical first year audit, because of a new computer system being put in place. Finally, the charge of the Evaluation Committee would be extended to investigate how the State Department of Health develops its estimates of the fiscal costs associated with new programs or legislation. There was a motion by Rep. Cochran to adopt the resolution, and a second by Rep. Grubb. The resolution was approved by a roll call vote of 14-0.

Appointment of the New Interim Study Committee Chairman

The Chair then announced that the Senate will name the chairperson for the Interim Study Committee (ISC) on Agriculture and Animal Issues, the ISC on Education Issues, and the ISC on the History of the General Assembly. The House will name the chairperson for the ISC on Public Policy, the ISC on Civil and Family Law, and the ISC on State and Local Government issues.

There being no further business to conduct, the meeting was adjourned at 11:30 AM.